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Application No. : TBD)

Filed : June 12, 2006)

For : PRINTING BLANKET HAVING)
A DIMENSIONALLY STABLE)
CARRIER PLATE, A METHOD)
FOR PRODUCING A PRINTING)
BLANKET OF THIS TYPE, AND)
A PRINTING UNIT FOR A)
PRINTING MACHINE WITHOUT)
A DAMPING UNIT)

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U.S. patent No. 5,351,615 is in the English language.

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WO 03/045695 corresponds to U.S. patent Nos. 7,004,070; 7,021,215; U.S. Application No. 2005/027273 and U.S. Application No. 2006/0000380.

The several other documents listed in the PTO/SB/08a form were brought to the attention of the undersigned by the applicants' principal representatives in Germany, without comment.

DE 1 947 520 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. It appears to show a pair of cylinders, one of which is being provided with a blanket or dressing.

DE 25 28 008 corresponds to GB 1,476,707. No discussion of that English language document is believed to be required.

Entry of these materials into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, and their consideration by the Examiner, is respectfully requested.

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